City of Las Vegas

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: DECEMBER 19, 2007

DEPARTMENT: FINANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICES DIRECTOR: MARK VINCENT Consent Discussion **SUBJECT:** Approval of a Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release between Clark County, City of Las Vegas, City of North Las Vegas, City of Henderson, City of Boulder City (Collectively referred to as the "Regional Franchise Jurisdictions," or "RFJ's") and Cox Communications Las Vegas, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, (Referred to as "Cox") settling issues regarding payment of franchise fees by Cox to the RFJ's **Fiscal Impact Augmentation Required No Impact Budget Funds Available Amount: Funding Source: Dept./Division:** PURPOSE/BACKGROUND: Cox operates a cable system and provides cable services within the RFJ's pursuant to similar franchise agreements adopted in 1998. The RFJ's have caused an audit to be conducted that examined Cox's compliance with the franchise agreements relating to the payment of franchise fees. The audit identified certain alleged payment discrepancies with which Cox disagreed. The proposed Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release fully resolve the issues raised in the audit. **RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the City Council approve this Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release and authorize the Mayor to execute the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release on the Council's behalf. **BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:** Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve Items 11-16, 18-21, 26, 28-30 and 32-50 Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)